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In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Nelson et al.

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Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2007, and is submitted in conjunction with an appropriate Petition for Extension of Time.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: